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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

**Werner Bohnstedt and J. Kevin Whear**

Serial No.: 09/372,531

Examiner: **Dove, Tracy Mae**

Filed: **August 11, 1999**

Art Unit: **1745**

For: **BATTERY SEPARATOR PROVIDED WITH A PLURALITY OF STUDS AND VERTICAL RIBS**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
Sir:

LETTER


The above-identified applicant enclose for filing a Request for filing a Continuing patent application entitled "**BATTERY SEPARATOR PROVIDED WITH A PLURALITY OF STUDS AND VERTICAL RIBS**". Said attached Request for filing a Continuing patent application includes (1) Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Request (2-Pages); (2) Preliminary Amendment (2-Pages), together with Version with markings to show changes (2-Pages) and Replacement Sheets (2-Pages); and (3) Fee Transmittal Form, together with a check in the amount of \$824.00 in payment of the filing fee.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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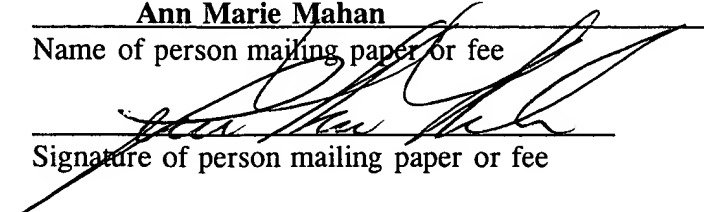
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## Complete if Known

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101 740	201 370	Utility filing fee	740
106 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ ) 740.00

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
14	-20** = 0	18	0
4	-3** = 1	84	84
		280	0

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ ) 84.00

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 400	216 200	Extension for reply within second month	
117 920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,440	218 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,960	228 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 460	243 230	Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g)	
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146 740	246 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 740	249 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 740	279 370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ )

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